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“BUILDING SUCCESSFUL LESBIAN PARTNERSHIPS”

An Evening with Dr. Betty Berzon



Dr. Betty Berzon

- Where:** Holiday Inn Holidome Northeast
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Dr. Betty Berzon is a writer, lecturer, and psychotherapist in the Los Angeles area who specializes in working with gay men and lesbians. In the late 1970's Dr. Berzon edited the book *Positively Gay: New Approaches In Gay and Lesbian Life*. In 1978 her article "Sharing Your Lesbian Identity With Your Children" appeared in *Our Right To Love*.

"Lambda Rising Book Report" calls Betty Berzon's latest book *Permanent Partners* "Indispensible . . . debunks old myths, exposes familiar lies . . . offers new foundations for better understanding between partners . . . few gay books could be more timely or useful."

Please join us for an informative and exciting evening

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*Editorial***SPEAK/OUT****AS OUTSPOKEN AS THEY WANNA BE**

Last month's editorial was an introduction to what I hope will become a new wave of communication among Newsletter readers. Since its publication, I have received many encouraging and supportive comments from SACWN members and some not-so-encouraging comments from the Steering Committee. Thank you for your words and most of all your willingness to speak out. Comments in the form of "letters to the editor" are printed herein.

Some women responded with the comment, "I know you are the editor but I wasn't sure you wrote the editorial." Sorry for being subtle! My name is Amanda Stennick and I've been a SACWN member for about two years. I am both Newsletter Coordinator (therefore a member of the Steering Committee) and the Newsletter Editor. Unless there is a guest editorial, all editorials are written by me. The Steering Committee does not necessarily agree with the editorials or endorse the opinions of the editor.

My purpose in writing editorials is to amuse, inform, and, yes, to incite (you know which camp you belong to) a riot of dialogue among us. As a Steering Committee member, I feel SACWN has greatly increased its membership without clearly examining its values to reflect the changes in membership. As the Newsletter Editor, I feel it is my right and obligation to discuss these issues in an editorial.

The Newsletter welcomes your signed letters. Your name will not be printed if you wish to remain anonymous. Please submit any letters to the editor to Amanda Stennick, 2033 36th Street, Sacramento 95817. All letters must be submitted by the second Tuesday of each month.

LETTERS

Dear Editor,

Your July editorial, "Confidentiality or Homophobia?" gives many of us in SACWN (and others who have recently dropped out) renewed hope that SACWN's Steering Committee will deal with issues which will not go away, but which will become more divisive the longer they are not openly confronted. These are issues of how far the Steering Committee has a right to go to "protect" its members from the local media, from the non-gay community, and from the gay men of our community.

Do the majority of our membership really want the organization to be invisible to the non-gay community, and to exclude men from all functions including political fund raisers such as the Roberta Achtenberg talk?

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Letters

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sometimes conflicting experiences, ideas and opinions. Instead of shying away from each other and our issues, let's set up an Annual Meeting (as the Constitution states the Steering Committee shall do "for the purpose of obtaining recommendations for changes to the Constitution and/or Policies . . ."). Let's find out how SACWN's members *really* feel about confidentiality, homophobia and the role the members want their organization to assume with the local media, with the non-gay community, and with the gay men of our community.

Judy Ludwick

Dear Editor,

Hurrah for your recent editorial comment. I have lately become aware of how closeted SACWN is as an organization. This concerns me. While it is important, and even essential to some individuals, to prevent disclosure about their sexual orientation, it is equally important to demonstrate our collective impact as a lesbian organization within the community at large.

Whenever this can be done without sacrificing personal choices and liberties it should be accomplished. Identifying SACWN as a lesbian organization in the Sacramento Bee and the telephone directory will both assist lesbians in connecting with our supportive networks and identify us as a political and social entity with which to be reckoned.

My thanks for bringing this matter into the light of day. I applaud your stance and support it.

Yours truly,
Bonne Holbrook
SACWN member since 1986

Dear Editor,

Last month you wrote an editorial on "Confidentiality or Homophobia." This is a pressing issue for SACWN and there are more. Should men be allowed to attend some of our SACWN events? Should SACWN's advertising state we are a lesbian organization? Should SACWN be more political in the larger lesbian and gay community? As SACWN's membership continues to grow, these issues will need to be decided in a way that reflects the wishes of the SACWN membership.

As a member of the Steering Committee, I want the membership to know that the Steering Committee is working on a process to address these issues. This month's question in the newsletter regarding the Town Council is an example of wanting to get feedback on how to proceed on a controversial issue. There will be more questions in future newsletters. While I don't ever speak for the whole Steering Committee, the membership should be aware that these issues are arising and your opinions are important. Speak up and make your opinions known.

Sincerely,
Rosanna Herber

COMING UP!

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And get ready for LOVE, LESBIAN STYLE!

Dear Editor,

I would like to comment on your editorial in the July newsletter. During our recent Gay and Lesbian Pride celebration I was sitting at the SACWN booth when a member of the Gay Cable News requested an interview. She wanted to talk about Gay Pride and how it related to SACWN. My coworker and I had to explain that we could give an interview as individuals but not as members of SACWN. We were both very ready to do this but Channel 47 couldn't shoot the interview without shooting some of the booth which would have included the word SACWN.

I have been puzzling over this for the past few weeks and have come up with three questions. One, if SACWN is neither a Gay nor Lesbian group what were we doing at a Gay Pride event? Two, isn't it SACWN's intent to grow and thrive as an organization? This implies obtaining new members; but how can women join us if they don't know who and where we are? And finally, and this is, for me, the most important question of all, by not identifying ourselves as a Lesbian organization are we saying that there is something wrong with being a Lesbian?

So thank you for your editorial. It is time for SACWN's membership to begin the dialogue that will define our organization. I personally support your view and feel that there is pride in using the dreaded "L" word.

Your lesbian sister,
Gretchen Jung
Facilitator, SACWN Book Club



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Kudos this month to Ann, our SIG Facilitator of the month. Ann coordinates the Culture Club, made up of a large group of members who, because of Ann's enthusiasm, organizational ability and incredibly hard work, do as many as 4-8 activities a month — from trips to SF to k.d. lang concerts to a trip this summer to Ashland, OR, to the Dance Theater of Harlem. Ann also has the distinction of being able to delegate so that her group members feel involved as well as excited. Thank you, Ann, for a job well done.

Anyone who has ideas for fall activities for SIGs or for new SIGs, call Ellie.

Ellie Zacks

SIG Coordinator, 967-0611

Kathy Mullen

Associate

BRIDGE

Bridge is booming this summer. Our August dates are Fridays, August 10 and 17, at 7:00 p.m. at places to be announced. Bridge lessons will be held on Friday, August 3 at 7:00 p.m. at Joyce and Lydia's. If you have any questions, call Joyce at 1-676-4317.

GOLF

Golf dates for August are the 2nd, 16th and 30th. Call Jane Irwin for reservations, 424-3153.

SINGLES ONLY

Angie has arranged a truly wonderful weekend for us at her home in Lake Tahoe. Scheduled events include a trip to the beach, pizza, an evening at the Tahoe Faces, pajama party, hot tub, Sunday brunch, and more, more, more . . . Bring sleeping bags, tent if you want to camp out in the backyard, lawn chairs. Space is limited. Call Ann by August 5 for reservations and directions, 927-6038.

ACA/DYSFUNCTIONAL FAMILIES

This group is being discontinued for the time being due to dwindling interest. If you're interested in revitalizing this group, call Ellie, 967-0611.

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BOOK GROUP

For the summer, you need something hot and light. The book group is reading the fiction of Katherine Forrester. We meet Sunday, August 19 at 3:00 p.m. Join us for an arousing, informative discussion. For more information, call Gretchen, 922-6287.

LATE BLOOMING LESBIANS

This summer, to keep it simple, we will be meeting monthly on the third Tuesday at 7:00 p.m. for a potluck get-together. Please join us. August's hostesses will be D.J.

and Rhondi; call them for directions at 646-0228. For further information, call Dionne, 988-1498 or Carol, 721-8452.

RELATIONSHIP ADDICTION

We offer a support group that also does a 12-step study on relationship addiction. Contact person is Judie, 369-2034.

CULTURE CLUB

Summer is here! That means: Shakespeare in the park (and a picnic), outdoor concerts (with a picnic), museum trip to SF (and brunch at Green's), plays (dessert afterwards, of course), and more . . .

Everything we do, we do with style (and with great food). We're the Culture Club. Join the feast. Call Ann, 927-6038.

TOP TEN

This group for the 10% of SACWN members who are over 50 will meet on Sunday, August 12. Call for details. Ariel, 483-9794.

DAVIS OVER THIRTY GROUP

You could say we came out of the woodwork, but that sounds too negative. How about: We came out of the closets? Too negative still? I know: Let's say WE ARE EVERYWHERE — even in Davis! Perhaps especially in Davis.

That's how it was when the Davis special interest group first met. We drew over 25 women. Now that we found each other we're going to keep the camaraderie going on a monthly basis. If you live in Davis and want more information about our group, call Chris, 758-0879, or Shelley, 753-0470. We'll tell you the next scheduled event.

SCUBA DIVERS

Summer's here and all divers interested in getting together, call Emily, 753-1918.

***** NEW GROUP *****

PSYCHOTHERAPISTS SUPPORT GROUP

Second Thursday in August; first meeting, August 9 from 7:30-9:00 p.m., Good Earth Restaurant on Arden Way. Call Karen at 444-3704. Support group for networking, socializing, sharing information and concerns relevant to professional mental health practitioners.

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BOOK REVIEW

Science fiction novels involving lesbians have been few and far between with most of these classified as mediocre. A very few, however, fall either into great (such as John Varley's *Titan* series) or "good" terrible Science Fiction (such as Catherine Ennis's *To The Lightning*, which while a failure as science fiction had the virtue of a simple plot and terrific sex scenes.)

Unfortunately, Lynda Lyon's *Priorities* does not fall even into the "good" terrible category. It is "bad" bad science fiction that was a chore to read (this from someone who reads the backs of aspirin bottles just to read!) with a dense, over-written plot, technical errors (going from first person to third person back to first person, with the first person being a virtual non-entity in the novel).

Worse yet, the few sex scenes in the book are so poorly conceived and executed that the reader becomes thoroughly bored and irritated. These scenes, other than being extremely poorly written, do not involve love or even, really, sex. There is an underlying feeling of hatefulness in these scenes that is almost disturbing, in addition to being boring which, admittedly, sounds like a contradiction in terms.

As to the story, it's the future, controllers are the policing function of earth(?) (one of the irritants of this novel is the failure of the author to create a believable "alternate" universe). The main function of these controllers is hunting down robots, or androids, as a threat to humanity. These robots were created by a mysterious doctor, female (hettero — maybe); is she captured? The head of the controllers is Amelia; is Amelia an android (she is pictured as totally uninteresting and dull, etc., yet everyone wants her)? Amelia's second in command is Valentine, voluptuous, red headed; is she paranoid and why? The president's son is kidnapped; when he is returned is he real or android? Who knows, even after reading the novel. Who cares — it's that kind of novel. Be forewarned — this is supposed to be a series.

Cherie Chapdelaine

Upcoming BACW Event

Champagne Brunch and Delta Cruise
Sunday, September 16, 10 a.m.-12 noon
Cruise Leaves from Pier in Stockton

Join your BACW neighbors for our 2nd annual champagne brunch and Delta cruise! The cost is \$24 per person for the leisurely one and one-half hour cruise complete with a champagne brunch. We'll meet at 10 a.m. on the dock in Stockton. Sorry, no reservations can be accepted after Sept. 4, so hurry and call Kathie at (415) 689-8685 for information or reservations! If we have enough people, we can charter the boat for ourselves!

Should SACWN Continue To Be a Voting Member of

INTRODUCTION

Although SACWN is currently a member of the Town Council, the issue of SACWN's continued participation in the Sacramento Gay and Lesbian Town Council is to be put to a vote of the subscribership. Over the past few months, the SACWN Steering Committee has remained undecided as to how SACWN should be represented on the Town Council. To assist you in voting on this issue, the following items give an historical overview of the Steering Committee's response to this issue.

- April 1990 SACWN Steering Committee voted to approve a proposal initiated by Mary Smith, Lesbian Politics facilitator, that SACWN become a member of the Gay and Lesbian Town Council.

- Included in the proposal is the voting procedure that Mary Smith, as facilitator of the special interest group Lesbian Politics, be SACWN's liaison to the Town Council and have one vote. Mary would be required to bring any issues before the Steering Committee for prior approval (vote) involving the use of the SACWN name in printed materials or official endorsements of projects sponsored by the Town Council. The other vote would rotate within the Steering Committee.

- May 1990 the SACWN Steering Committee was asked to consider a recommendation from the Special Interest Group Coordinator that Lesbian Politics be a separate entity rather than a special interest group. The purpose was to remove Lesbian Politics as liaison to the Town Council because of the concern that Lesbian Politics had become "action oriented" and was speaking for the entire membership by intersecting with the larger community.

- As a result of the May recommendation, a subcommittee was asked to examine the various options regarding SACWN's involvement with the Town Council.

- May 1990 Mary Smith resigned as facilitator of Lesbian Politics and the group is officially no longer a SACWN special interest group.

- June 1990 the SACWN Steering Committee voted to abstain from exercising its right to vote on issues of community concern at the Town Council in order to let the subscribers vote on whether SACWN should continue to be a voting member of the Town Council.

- The subcommittee met to determine how SACWN should proceed in soliciting opinions from the subscribership regarding our participation in the Town Council and the result is the information before you.

The following text describes the role and purpose of the Town Council as stated in its articles. Next is an argument favoring SACWN's participation in the Town Council and an argument opposed to participation. *Please take the time to read this material and vote your preference. Your response is important and will determine whether SACWN continues to be a voting member of the Town Council. Please mark the ballot on Page 8 of the Newsletter and return it no later than September 15. Your opinion counts. Thank You.*

In addition to the ballot response, there will be a forum on Monday, August 20th, at 7:30 p.m. at the Lambda Community Center, 1931 L Street, to discuss this issue. Please come and participate!

ABOUT THE TOWN COUNCIL

PURPOSE: The Town Council serves as a means of exchange of information and resources between the various gay and lesbian organizations in Sacramento. This kind of networking can help to prevent the duplication of efforts and promote effective use of community resources.

MEMBERSHIP/VOTING RIGHTS: Any organization in Sacramento, relevant to gay and lesbian issues, is eligible for membership and can cast two votes, providing they have paid the membership fee of \$25 per year.

STRUCTURE: Positions include Moderator, Vice Moderator, Treasurer, and Secretary. To the greatest extent possible the officers will reflect the diversity of the gay and lesbian community. (Currently, there are two women and two men serving — the women are in the Moderator and Secretary positions).

MEETINGS: The Town Council meets at least once every two months. All meetings are open unless special circum-

stances, decided by a two-thirds majority, require it to be closed. Meetings are conducted using parliamentary procedure as detailed in Robert's Rules of Order.

COMMITTEES: The Town Council may create committees with guidelines and/or restrictions to be decided when formed.

DECISIONS NOT BINDING: Decisions of the Town Council are not binding upon its members, but it is hoped that as many of the represented organizations, associations, and businesses will voluntarily support the decisions, recommendations, and/or actions of the Town Council.

VOTING: Except for issues of parliamentary procedure, motions introduced of significant interest to member organizations are not voted on at that time, but are taken back to the organizations by their representatives on the Town Council. Voting on the motion will occur at the following meeting.

SACWN Role in Town Council

Member of the Sacramento Gay and Lesbian Town Council?

Argument In Favor

SACWN's purpose is to provide lesbians with a structure for sharing ideas and resources and to actively promote networking and outreach to lesbians of all ages, physical abilities, and social and economic backgrounds. We do all of this within a very enjoyable, informative, and entertaining social environment. The inclusion of SACWN in the Sacramento Lesbian and Gay Town Council provides increased opportunity to obtain and share information about our community and to present a positive, participative image of SACWN.

SACWN's membership is nearing 600 subscribers — the single largest lesbian organization in the greater Sacramento area! If you want to get information to, from, or about Sacramento lesbians, SACWN is probably the best, if not the only way to go about it. Notwithstanding our local lesbian/gay press; the SACWN newsletter, the HUB, and announcements at the programs are likely to reach more women than any other single method. This is in contrast to the gay men's social network in our town. Passing out flyers at the men's bars is very effective at reaching a large audience. We women lack that kind of a network. Our networking regularly occurs at SACWN programs.

So, what do we have to gain by our voting membership in the Town Council?

- For those involved in business, the Town Council would provide increased opportunity and contacts. From inclusion in the Town Council, we would have the opportunity to learn about the needs of others in the gay and lesbian community and could increase our ability to network.
- We can learn about issues impacting the larger community. For example, the Town Council is central to the fight against lesbian/gay-bashing and has helped to increase our awareness of the problem of violence against lesbians. SACWN can respond to this issue, identify resources available to us, and assist in protecting the safety of our members.
- We have an opportunity to learn about other people, organizations, and issues. Ideas for future programs can be identified or generated at Town Council meetings.

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Argument Against

SACWN should not join the Town Council. As recently quoted in the newsletter, "SACWN's purpose and goal is to provide lesbians with a structure for sharing ideas and resources in order to actively promote networking and outreach to other lesbians." That statement says nothing about voting on issues to represent an entire organization of 600 women through 2 votes. Networking with other gay and lesbian groups is different from politically aligning ourselves with other groups and being bound by the policies they adopt. Does it really fit our organization's mission to support decisions made by a majority of other organizations on topics such as tacit support of ACT UP or an official position on "outing"? I think not.

There are more than 600 women in SACWN, from many diverse points of view. How will that diversity be represented when it is time to cast 2 votes? Furthermore, no subscribership decision has yet been made as to whether or not a political role should be added to our mission. While it is true that the personal is political, I want to do any voting for myself that is to be done. While I was willing to delegate my vote to the Steering Committee to organize social events and daily operations of the organization, I am not willing to delegate my vote on such controversial issues as for example, "outing."

There is presently no ongoing, organized way (other than last year's survey and the upcoming forum) of involving subscribership input in a timely way before voting on an issue before the Council, even if we were to find agreement on only one position among ourselves. For those who wish to participate on the Town Council, there are other gay and lesbian groups which regularly endorse issues and candidates. I think there has been more concern expressed about what others in the gay community will think of us if we don't join, rather than a careful examination of what, if any, are the benefits to our organization and our purpose. As lesbians, we frequently experience political oppression; sometimes even from our own community. Make your voice heard! Vote "NO" on joining and voting on the Town Council.

Kathy Buxton

To Vote on this issue, see page 8 for mail-in ballot

Also

**An Open Forum to discuss Town Council membership
is planned for Monday, August 20th, 7:30 p.m.
at the Lambda Community Center.**

TOWN COUNCIL BALLOT

(For related articles, see pages 6 and 7)

Your answer to this question will determine whether or not SACWN will continue to be a voting member on the Gay and Lesbian Town Council. Your opinion is very important to us.

Should SACWN continue to be a voting member on the Gay and Lesbian Town Council?

_____ YES _____ NO

COMMENTS _____

Please send your answer back when you order tickets or send it to us in a separate envelope to: P.O. Box 661332, Sacramento, CA 95866. Deadline for your reply is September 15th. An Open Forum to discuss this issue is planned for Monday, August 20th. A full discussion of this issue can be found on pages 6 and 7 of this newsletter. Thank you for your comments.

Joan Frizzini,
LCSW LG9415



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Join A Dialogue With RCDC: "Lesbians and Gay Men . . . Together in the '90s?" at 6 p.m. on Monday, August 13 upstairs at the Town House, 21st and P streets. A no-host bar will be available from 5 to 6 p.m., with a sumptuous hors d'oeuvres buffet provided by the River City Democratic Club.

RCDC's first Dialogue fund raiser will present a panel featuring CSU Sacramento Communications Department Chair and former KFBK-Radio talk show host, Lee Nichols, and CSU Sacramento Professor Women's Studies, sociologist and feminist, Bethania Gonzales, and two other surprise panelists.

The audience will be able to become performers as well, with RCDC's Mary Smith and Ed Condon (sometimes referred to as Oprah and Phil) roaming with hand mikes eliciting questions, opinions and discussion with the panelists and each other.

Tickets for the August 13 event are on sale for \$9.00 at the Lambda Center or may be purchased from members of the River City Democratic Club. Telephone inquiries and reservations may be made by calling Marghe Covino at 371-3848 or Judy Ludwick at 429-2806.

New Lesbian Judge Is A First On the San Francisco Superior Bench

Donna Hitchens' seat on the S.F. Superior Court was guaranteed last week as the registrar of voters finished counting the last of 2,931 ballots.

Hitchens won the seat occupied by S.F.'s Jerome T. Benson by taking 50.3 percent of the 103,986 votes cast, according to results released Thursday by the registrar, Germaine Wong.

The civil litigator is the first lawyer to unseat a S.F. Superior Court judge in more than 15 years.

Hitchens, a founder of Bay Area Lawyers for Individual Freedom and former directing attorney for the Lesbian Rights Project, will also be the first openly lesbian attorney to take a seat on the Superior Court in California.

She will become the sixth openly gay or lesbian judge in the state and the ninth in the nation, according to information compiled by the Human Rights Campaign Fund of New York City in conjunction with the Organization of Openly Gay and Lesbian Elected Officials.

Benson, a prosecutor for 23 years before being appointed by Gov. George Deukmejian, conceded the race to Hitchens two days after the June 5 election. At the time, Benson was trailing by 914 votes.

The final count narrowed the margin to 826 votes, still leaving Hitchens with a judgeship on Jan. 1.

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